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Release of Army Transformation Draft EIS and Public Meetings to be Held

The US Army, Hawaii, announces the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) detailing the impacts of Army Transformation in Hawaii. Army Transformation in Hawaii includes the proposed construction of 28 projects and proposed land acquisition on the islands of O'ahu and Hawai'i.

The Draft EIS is available for review on the Web at www.sbcteis.com or at the following libraries:

- Hilo Public Library, 300 Waianuenue Avenue, Hilo, (808) 933-8888
- Kailua-Kona Public Library, 75-138 Hualalai Road, Kailua-Kona, (808) 327-4327
- Thelma Parker Memorial Public and School Library, 96767-1209 Mamalahoa Hwy., Kamuela, (808) 887-6067
- Kahuku Public and School Library, 56-490 Kamehameha Hwy., Kahuku, (808) 293-8935
- Mililani Public Library, 95-450 Makaimoimo Street, Mililani, (808) 627-7470
- Hawaii State Library, 478 South King St., Honolulu, (808) 586-3500
- Wahiawa Public Library, 820 California Avenue, Wahiawa, (808) 622-6345
- Waianae Public Library, 85-625 Farrington Hwy., Waianae, (808) 697-7868
- Waialua Public Library, 67-068 Kealohanui Street, Waialua, (808) 637-8286
- UH Environmental Center, 317 Crawford Hall, 2550 Campus Rd., Honolulu, (808) 956-7361

To request copies of the Executive Summary, CDs or hard copies of the DEIS, please contact:

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Written comments will be accepted until 19 November 2003.

Additionally, the Army will host community meetings to provide an opportunity for the people of Hawaii to comment on the Draft EIS. The meeting dates are as follows:

- 28 October 2003, Honolulu Country Club, 1690 Ala Puumalu Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96818-1599, (808) 441-9400
- 29 October 2003, Helemano Plantation, 64-1510 Kamehameha Highway Wahiawa, Hawaii 96786, (808) 935-9361
- 30 October 2003, Makaha Resort Golf Club, 84-626 Makaha Valley Road Waianae, Hawaii 96792, (808) 695-9544
- 4 November 2003, Turtle Bay Resort 57-091 Kamehameha Highway Kahuku, Hawaii 96731, (808) 293-8811
- 5 November 2003, Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort 69-275 Waikoloa Beach Drive Waikoloa, Hawaii 96738, (808) 886-8125
- 6 November 2003, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel, 71 Banyan Drive Hilo, Hawaii 96720 (808) 935-9361

All meetings begin with an informal open house from 5:30-6:45 pm. The formal meeting will begin at 7:00 pm and continue until 10:00 pm.

If you need special communications or seating accommodations (American sign or accessible seating, and documents in alternative formats), please contact Ms. Cindy Barger, telephone (808) 438-4812 at least 3 days before the meeting.

Please note that a Native Hawaiian language interpreter will be present at the meetings.